

## MINUTES

### UTAH ACUPUNCTURE LICENSING BOARD MEETING

June 7, 2006

Room 402 (formerly 428) – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 9:00 A.M.  
Heber Wells Building

**CONVENED:** 9:07 A.M.

**ADJOURNED:** 10:10 A.M.

**Bureau Manager:**  
**Board Secretary:**

Noel Taxin  
Karen McCall

**Board Members Present:**

Carol M. Zoellner, Acupuncturist  
Elaine T. Lu, PT, MHEd  
Pamela Bys, RN, BSN, Acupuncturist, Chairperson  
Michele Zabriskie

**Board Members Absent:**

Todd A. Mangum, MD

**Guests:**

Craig Jackson, Division Director  
Kris Justesen, Utah Acupuncture Association

#### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

#### **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Read and approve the March 22, 2006 Minutes.

Ms. Zabriskie made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Ms. Lu seconded the motion. **The Board vote was unanimous.**

##### **BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Update on revision of Application to take out the section requiring the Informed Consent and Treatment form to be submitted

Ms. Taxin explained that she has requested the application be changed to reflect deleting the request for the Informed Consent to be submitted for the Division to review and approve. Ms. Taxin stated that changes in applications are a process that takes some time and a new application should be available by the September 27, 2006 Board meeting.

**Ms. Bys asked if changing the Rules will allow the**

**Division to take the requirement out of the application which requires submitting the consent form for review and approval.**

Ms. Taxin responded that there is no requirement in the Law or Rule that requires the form to be submitted. Ms. Taxin stated that the Law only requires a form of consent. Ms. Taxin stated that nothing would have to be changed in the Law or Rules but the Division should make a note in the application under "Other Important Information".

**Ms. Zabriski recommended notification be included in the application with a comment to consult their legal counsel for specific advice.**

**Mr. Jackson stated that placing the information in the application is not necessary and it is up to each applicant to seek legal counsel if they deem it necessary.**

Rule update regarding training for  
Acupuncture on animals

Ms. Taxin stated that this update will be included in the review of the proposed Rules.

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

### **9:30 A.M.**

Rules Review

Ms. Taxin presented proposed Rules for the Board to review.

Ms. Taxin stated she drafted a proposal for the Board to review on the Rules. She discussed each item revised.

Ms. Taxin reviewed the Examination Requirements and she explained that the Division was working on deleting the Law and Rule examination as discussed in the last meeting. Ms. Taxin stated that she contacted NCCAOM regarding the examination requirement and was notified that the examination is not one examination but a number of examinations and all must be passed to receive the NCCAOM Acupuncture Certification. Ms. Taxin will update the Rules to reflect the NCCAOM examination information. **No changes were requested by the Board.**

Ms. Taxin re-reviewed the Qualifications for Animal

Acupuncture as discussed in the last meeting. **The Board requested a minor revision.**

Ms. Taxin reviewed the Informed Consent section. **No changes were requested by the Board.**

Ms. Taxin reviewed the Renewal Cycle – Procedures. **No changes were requested by the Board.**

**Ms. Zoellner made a motion to accept the proposed Rule changes with a minor revision. Ms. Lu seconded the motion. The Board vote was unanimous.**

Ms. Taxin stated that she will file the proposed Rules and schedule a hearing.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

### Legislative Update

Ms. Taxin notified the Board that the new Acupuncture Law was enacted at the 2006 Legislative session. Ms. Taxin stated that the Veterinary Law includes acupuncture on animals and the new Acupuncture Law has also included animal acupuncture.

### Sunset Update

Ms. Taxin explained that it was decided at the 2006 Sunset review session to renew the sunset date and to try for the major changes in the 2007 session.

Ms. Justesen responded that the Association tried for minor changes in the interim session in hopes that it would be presented at the interim session. Ms. Justesen stated that the stumbling block was the 3<sup>rd</sup> party payment for services. Ms. Justesen stated that the Association will be meeting with the committee, the lobbyist and an attorney to clarify the language and intent.

Ms. Taxin stated that the sunset review date will be 10 years. She stated that the Division tried to get the sunset approved so it would not have to be done again in 10 years but were not successful.

### Pam Bys – Examination Questions

Ms. Bys explained that she had questions regarding the Laws and Rules examination. However, Ms. Bys stated that if the Utah Laws and Rules examination

would no longer be used, she would not address the questions. **No Board action was taken.**

FYI

Ms. Bys requested Ms. Taxin to explain what the acronym GRAMMA stands for and to explain what it means.

Ms. Taxin gave a brief explanation of GRAMMA but stated she would come to the next meeting with a detailed explanation.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Hepatitis C Course Information for Licensed Acupuncturists

Ms. Bys reviewed the information and commented that the course might be a good one as it has 33 hours that cover a variety of subjects pertinent to Acupuncturists. **The Board concurred.**

NBCE Monthly Report Article on Acupuncture

The Board reviewed the NBCE Monthly Report Article on Acupuncture. **No Board action was taken.**

NCCAOM update on Cancelled Examinations

The Board reviewed the NCCAOM update on the cancelled examinations. **No Board action was taken.**

**NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:**

September 27, 2006

Ms. Zabriski notified the Board and the Division that she will be out of town on September 27, 2006.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT:**

10:10 A.M.

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Date Approved

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Chairperson, Utah Acupuncture Licensing Board

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Date Approved

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Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing